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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS:


Claims 40, 41, 47, 60, 61, 63-74, 76-79 and 81-84 are now pending in the application for consideration. Claims 42-46, 48, and 66-75 have been cancelled. No new claims have been added.

The courtesy of a telephone discussion with Examiner Zarabian on July 8, 2003 is appreciated. By this amendment, claims 66-74, introduced into the application with a request to initiate an interference with Patent 6,023,093 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer and applicant reserves the right to prosecute those claims, and the request to initiate the interference, in a continuation application.

Entry of this amendment and consideration of the application are requested.

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